

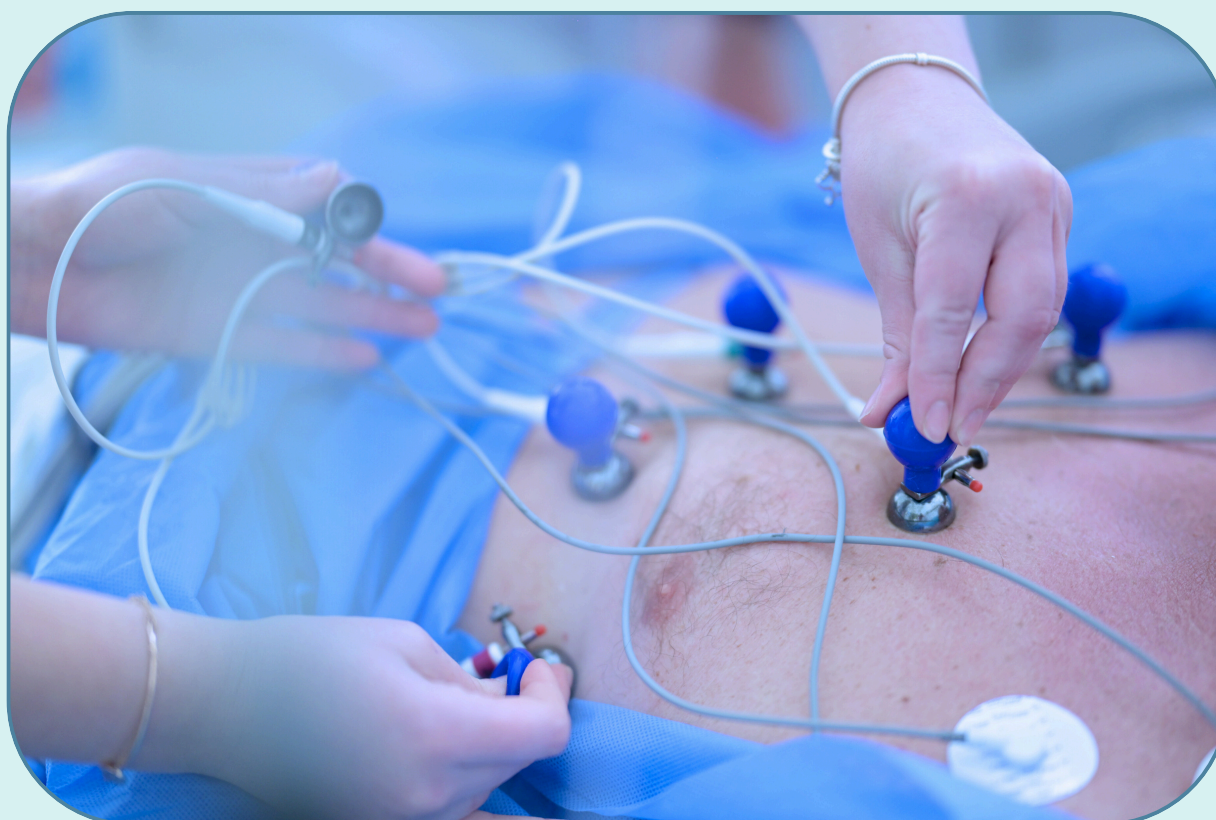


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IMPROVING ACCESS, SAVING LIVES

THE IMPACT OF CATHLAB AT THE GENERAL HOSPITAL OF PRIZREN



A beating heart for Kosovo



Lifesaving intervention within reach

Since the launch of the CathLab in Prizren in June 2024, our healthcare system has taken a major step forward in the fight against cardiovascular diseases in Kosovo that is the leading cause of death (46.7%). The availability of this vital service in a second biggest public hospital in Kosovo is making a measurable difference in both clinical outcomes and patient access.

CathLab stats from June 2024 to June 2025

- ♥ **698** coronary angiograms
- ♥ **253** stenting procedures

Lives saved through timely cardiac care

The CathLab has enabled timely diagnosis and intervention for patients suffering from heart attacks, blocked arteries, and other urgent cardiac conditions. These services are now available without the need for long-distance travel or delays, which can often be life-threatening in cardiac emergencies.

As a result, since June 2024, around 698 lives have been saved. 83% of patients were from Prizren region and 17% from 13+ municipalities across Kosovo, two from Albania and one from Montenegro.



83% from the Prizren region
17% from 13 other Kosovo municipalities

Reduced financial burden for patients

Prior to the establishment of this public CathLab, many patients were forced to seek care in the private sector, experiencing significant out-of-pocket expenses. Today, with access to high-quality cardiac procedures at the CathLab in Prizren, patients no longer need to spend large sums on private services.

So far, at the CathLab in Prizren, 698 patients have undergone angiographies, and 253 stents have been placed.

In the private sector, the average costs for an angiography are approximately EUR 350, while the placement of stents can cost around EUR 3,500. If these services had been done in private hospitals, the total costs would have been around EUR 1,000,000.

This represents not only a step forward in equitable healthcare but also a direct relief to families across Kosovo.

Shorter waiting times, greater accessibility

With the addition of the CathLab in the second public hospital in the country, waiting times for interventions have dropped significantly. More patients can now receive the care they need faster and closer to home, improving outcomes and reducing the risk of complications due to delays.



(up to) **EUR 1M in savings**

from June 2024 to June 2025

CathLab: One year on - a success story

One year of successful work - the CathLab has contributed to expanding access to advanced cardiac care in the public sector and to:



Save lives through timely interventions



Reduce costs for patients and families



Shorten waiting times for procedures



Improve equity in healthcare delivery

Thank you to everyone who helped and contributed to making this achievement possible – the leadership of the health sector, medical staff, our strategic partner - the Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, and supporters who believed in the vision from the beginning.



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